

Jackson Wyoming  
March 1918



Tuesday Feb 26. 1918

Left Washington 8 P.M.

Wednesday Feb 27

En route Arrived Chicago 5:20  
Left Chic for Ogden 10 P.M.

Thursday Feb 28

Iowa + Nebraska

Friday March 1

Wyoming Arrived Ogden  
3:35 P.M. Visited Fort Sierra

Saturday March 2

Left Ogden 12:25 A.M.  
Arrived at Victor about 3 P.M.  
Registered at Keltner Hotel



Sunday March 3

Remained at Victor -

Monday March 4

Left on stage 8 am and crossed  
Teton Pass. Had dinner at  
Crawdalls (Old Lee) Roadhouse  
and went on to Jackson  
Went over to Mr. Rowley at the  
Elk refuge, and had supper  
there and stayed all night  
Felled our dead trees



Tuesday, March 5

Went out with Mr. Spooler  
in the morning to feed the elk  
on the meadows. There were  
about \_\_\_\_\_ and they were  
very few exceptions - a good  
shape.

In the afternoon Mr. Johnson  
and I went down to Licks  
place with W.H. Seebahn and  
Game warden Ray McDevall  
and saw about 2500 elk  
just a few more on the side  
of the butte east of the valley  
~~and also~~ all the way along  
from Washburn to Licks, and  
also a few on the East Grouse  
Butte.



Wednesday March 6.

Johnston and I took the stage  
about 8 and went up to Kelly P.O.  
on the Great Centre. Had lunch  
and went up the Great Centre Valley to  
Horseshoe Range station. with about  
Sunther the ranger.

We saw a few scattering bunches  
of elk on the sides of the buttes all  
along in the main valley and along  
the north side of the Great Centre were  
a few probably not over 200 at  
the most. None in the bottoms and  
very few indeed on the south  
side of the valley.  
We stopped for the night at  
the range station.



Thursday March 7.

We went up to the old Fortson  
Ranch 4 miles above the range  
cabin where a family named  
Grant (W.G.) was living and  
spent the afternoon tramping  
around to observe the  
we saw a few small bands all  
along the slopes of the Red Hills  
on the N. side of the Gros Ventre  
a few over on the red Butte  
bluffs Crystal Creek, a few  
in Crystal Creek Bottom, along  
the ridges east of Crystal were  
a good sized band.

We went out to the Gros Ventre  
when we could look over the  
valley of Slate Creek. There were  
none in the bottom of the valley  
nor on the slopes bordering Hay  
Stack Creek as far as we  
could see. On the bare red  
hills about lower Slate creek  
were a few small bands, only  
a few dozen.



Friday March 8.

We left with Albert Genthner,  
and went on snowshoes up to  
Dier's Ranch just above Fish  
Creek. We saw small bands  
of elk on both sides of  
the Great Centre all the  
way to the Slide Lake -  
Beyond were a few on the  
north slopes on the north  
side but none on the south.  
The trip was a hard one



Saturday March 9

Went up on the ridge between the Great Lake and Bacon Creek. A good sized bunch of elk were on this ridge but a very few on the north side.

We then crossed the bunch on the angle between Bacon and Fish Creeks and looked over all the south exposed ridges but could see no elk. There were a few on the hillsides west of Fish Creek.

In the afternoon we went up to Lafferty's. A number of fawn-sized storks were seen on the hillsides west of the Great Lake. W.D. Lafferty tells me that 3 or 4 had been here been feeding in his meadow lately and that there are a few on the north side of the Great Lake further up. He killed a Mt. Lion last winter.



Sunday March 10

We left Rafferty about 8<sup>30</sup>  
and started down the valley intend-  
ing to stop at Robinsons lower  
camp for the night. We overtook  
Albert Smith at Robinsons lower  
and decided to go on through to  
Crystal Creek. We had dinner  
at Robinsons Cr and reached  
the Turpin place (Cove) before  
dark. The travelling was rather  
hard and the distance over 20  
miles. We saw a few elk trails  
on the south side of the valley  
and several bunches on  
the north side.



Monday, March 11 To Bierer's

The day was stormy  
We went down to the Ranger  
station and stopped for dinner.  
A few elk were all along the  
red hills as usual.

In the afternoon we went  
down to Tom Bierer's. There were  
a good many elk on both  
sides and several bulls  
were right about Bierer's.  
He said that several moose  
had been through the river  
bottoms just below his  
place and that he had  
seen them a few days before.



Tuesday | March 12

To Jackson

We left rather late so as to catch the stage at Kelly. We saw several bands of elk on the valley near the mouth of the canyon.

Took the stage for Jackson in the afternoon. We saw only small scattering bands along the hills bordering Dry Hollow and not numbers until we neared the <sup>Elk</sup> ranch. Found seasonal and detour more advanced in the lower valley. The snow much reduced and soft under foot.



Wednesday March 13 Jackson

Remained at Jackson. The day was stormy, snowing and blowing all day. Mr. Johnson arrived from Kelly in the late afternoon.

Thursday March 14 Jackson

Remained at Jackson. The day was fine but cold.

Friday March 15 Jackson

Remained at Jackson. Attended a meeting at Jackson at the request of Ray McCrede. J. W. Fern and W. H. Seeborn, and a few others.

They advocated the purchase of certain ranches north of the present elk refuge and expanding up on the hills toward Sheep Mountain. They claimed that the elk were nearly getting



worse, and in regard to  
getting hay from stacks. I  
~~had~~ spoke of the impracticability  
of attempting to get any capped-  
springs at the present time  
but told them that if they  
would put their project  
in writing, with a map  
showing the proposed area  
and accompanied by a  
statement of each man's holdings  
with estimate of cost, that  
the Biological Survey would  
consider it.



Saturday, March 16. Jackson's Hope

I heard that Call a  
ranchman on Snake River at  
the mouth of Horse Creek was  
in town and was going  
down in the afternoon. As  
we wished to visit that  
section we arranged to go  
down with him. We left  
in the early afternoon and  
saw his ranch in the  
evening. Saw many elk  
all along Snake River bottom  
and on the adjoining hills.



Sunday, March 17 Hoback to Jackson

We went in the forenoon up on the ridge between Horse Creek and the Hoback. when we could overlook all the surrounding country. We found many elk in the valley of Horse Creek and all along on the south side especially. Just a few on the ridge between and many on the Hoback valley. We could see all up the Hoback and could see many elk there on both sides. There were also many on Minger mt.



Monday, March 18 To Elk

we left Jackson on the stage  
and went up to Kelly. Saw small  
bands of elk on the hills east  
of the valley and in Long  
Hollow. In the afternoon Dr.  
Johnston remained to manage  
the country about Kelly, where  
I went on up to near Elk.  
Saw no elk along the stage  
road between Kelly and Elk,  
and learned that none had been  
present all winter, and that  
practically none had passed down  
through them in the fall.



Tuesday March 19 To Jackson

Left Elk at 8 o'clock to walk  
back along the east side of  
the valley to Kelly followed  
the road to the Antelope Ranger station  
then cut across through the foothills  
to the mouth of Dutch Creek Canyon  
There were no elk at all in these hills  
and none had been seen at the  
mouth of the Canyon for a long time.  
movers (across about early) were  
seen at the mouth of Dutch Creek Canyon  
a short time before  
found the stage at Kelly and  
walked to Jackson



Wednesday March 20



Thursday, March 21

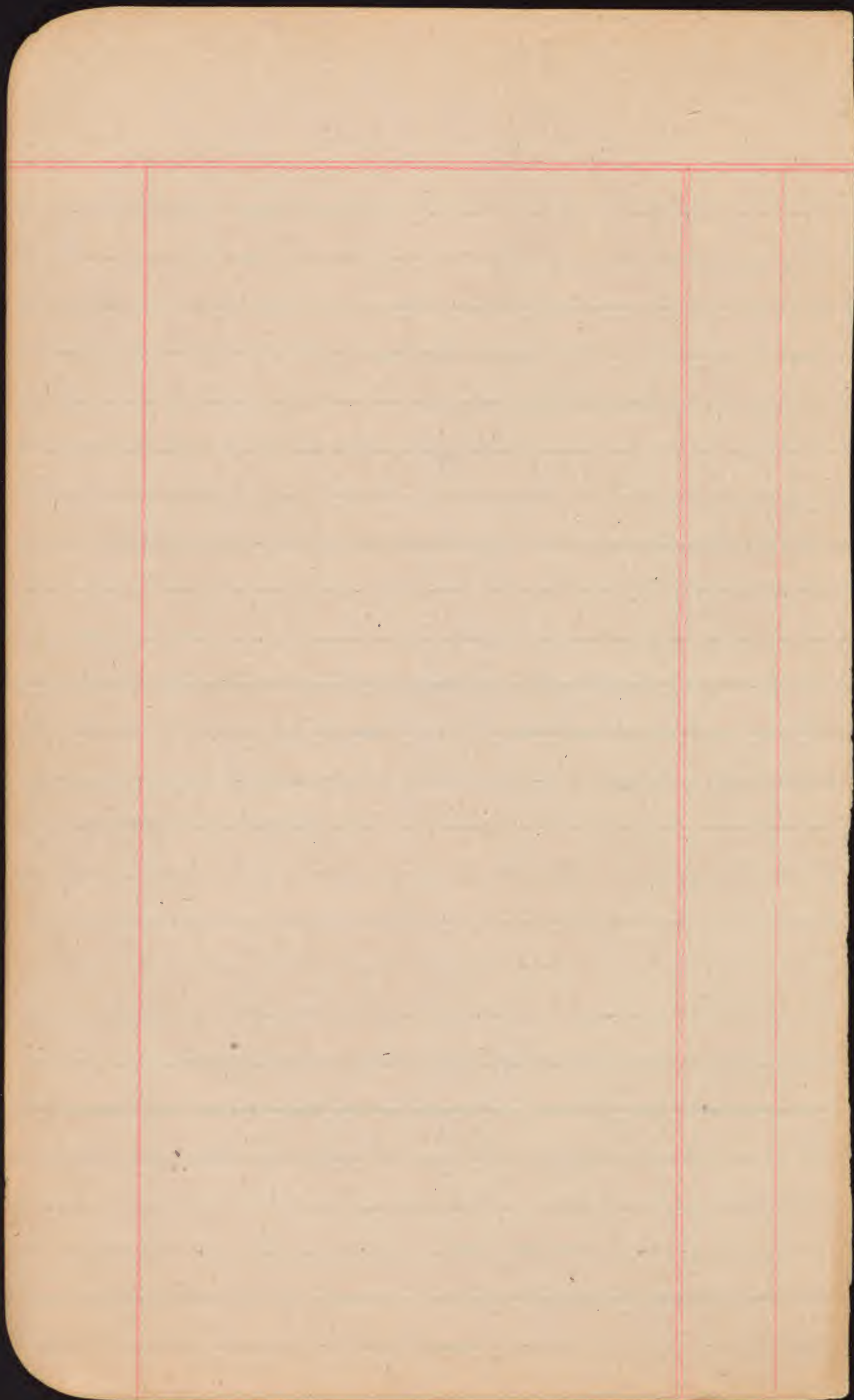


Friday March 22



Saturday March 23







Wyoming

Birds Jackson 1918

March 5	Roughleg	1
	Raven	3
	Shorelavedove	1
	Mallard	10
	Swing tail	c
	Am Merganser	4
	C. Goose	com

March 7 Crystal Creek

Raven

Chickadee

C Jay.

March 8 To Fish Creek

Chickadee

Raven

Gambel Chickadee

March 9 To Lafferty's

Fl. Crow

Chickadee



Snipe (reported at Jackson)  
Redwing ( " " " )

Mar 10. To Crystal Creek

Raven  
Clarke Crow  
S. W. Owl

Mar 11 To Beecher

Raven (flock)  
Golden Eagle  
Ruffed grouse (Arctic)  
said to be common & Tall

Mar 12 To Jackson  
Redwing (Kelley)

Mar 14 Jackson

Geese (about 100)  
Ash Siskin 2  
Mallards very com  
Goldeneye few  
L. W. Owl rather com  
Raven

Raven  
reported 1000

March 16 To Hoback

Laughing Hawk 1  
Crested Eagle 2  
Mallard (many)



March 17 Hoback to Jackson

Redd Eagle	2	Robin
Osprey	1	
Clayton Crow	1	
Arch Bluebird	3	
Dock Hawk	1	
Wallow	(many)	

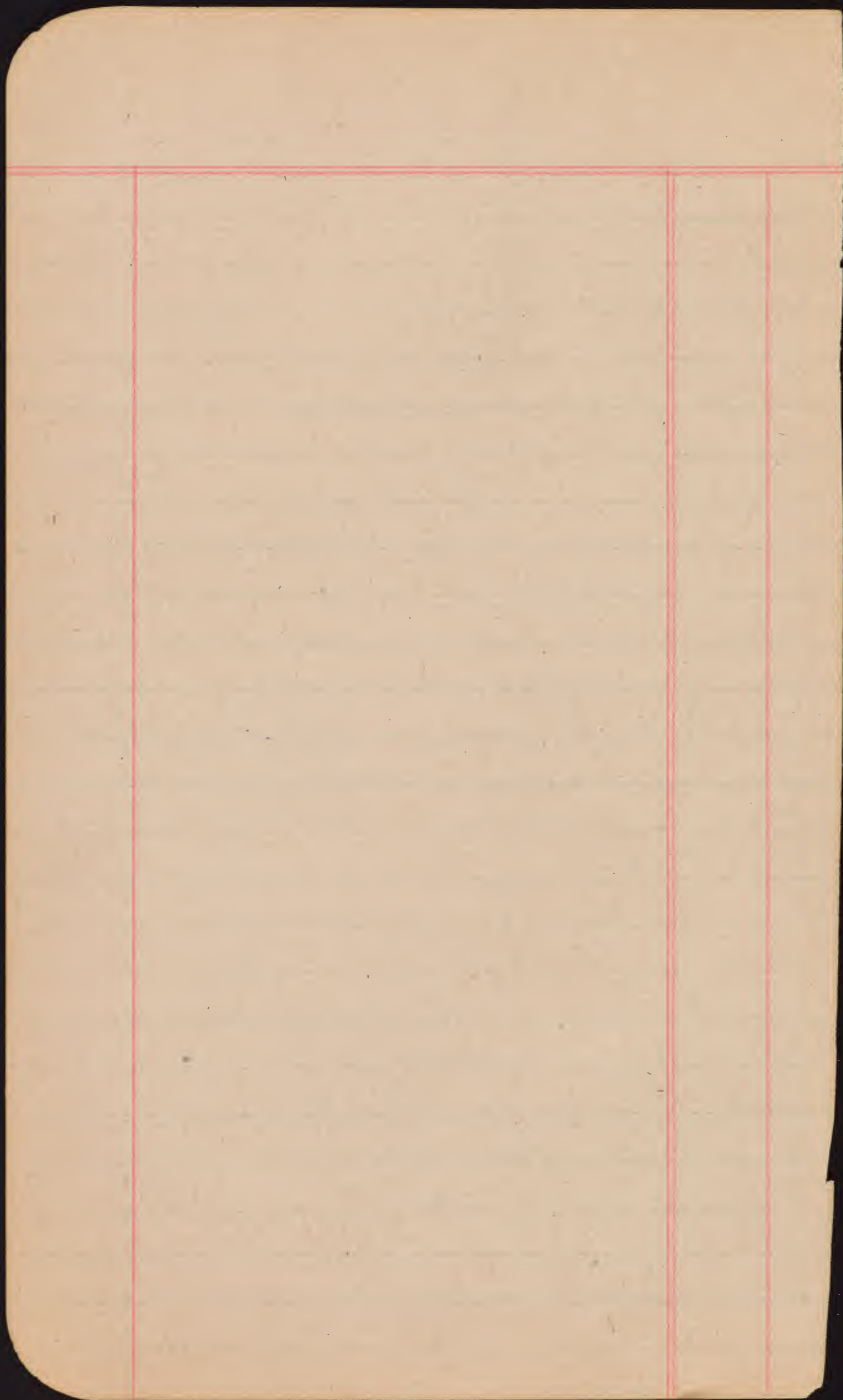
March 18  
Robin  
Black Crow

March 19  
Ruffed G. (3)  
Robin  
Black Crow

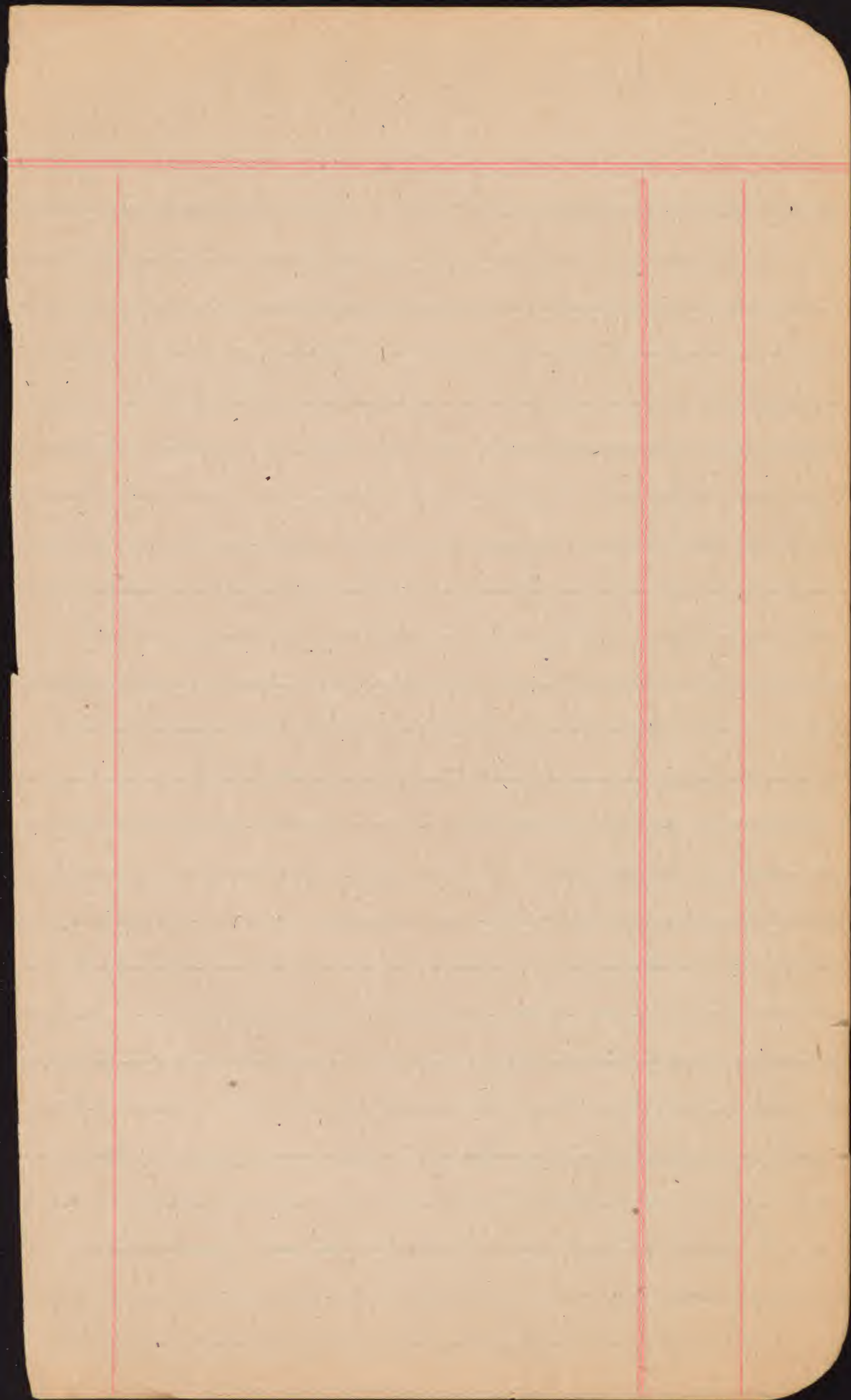
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Lee & John Barber

40 head

Upper Crystal Creek &  
Upper Groo Creek

✓ George Dew

4 head

mtk of Fish Creek

Henry Swisher

35 head

Bacon & Park Creek

Joseph Infanger

170 head

Park Creek & Bacon

J.R. Ranch Co (C of Pederson)

400 head

Park Creek & Bacon Cr

✓ W.D. Lafferty

126 head

mtk Fish Creek



Chas E Lemmon

10 head

With Fish Creek

D L Lucas

122 head

Upp Gros & White & Crystal Cr

Fred Lovjoy

25

Upp Gros & White & Crystal Cr

James J May

100 head

Upp G. V. & Crystal

J H May

90

Upp G. V. & Crystal Cr

Frank McBrade

200 head

Upp Gros & White & Crystal Cr



Wephi Moulton

140  
75  
179

180 head  
Wep Gros Ventre @ Crystal Cr

10  
126  
530  
4  
534

W.P. Redman  
170 head

Wep Gros V. & Crystal Cr

Dillon Robinson  
75 head

Mt Fish Creek

Boxed Cottonwood  
& Freshwater Cr  
also

✓ J. Speer & Lloyd 179 head

Mt Fish Creek  
all in Dist No 4

J.H. Brown 35 head  
N Fork Fish Creek

Mr. Galtner 570  
N Fork Fish Creek

Grant Young 12 head  
N Fork Fish Creek  
all in Dist No 3

R.H. Charter 100 head No 5  
Seat Creek Lower Crystal Cr

P.C. Hanson 550 same  
Ray McEwen 400 "  
W.P. Redmond 160 "



Photographs Jackson  
March, 1998

Roll 1

- 1 Elk in Lees Meadow March 5
- 2 " " " " " "
- 3 Elk near Slide March 8
- 4 " " " " " "
- 5 " " " " " "
- 6 on snowdrift near Fork A, March 9

Roll 2

Lopfertop to Juniper ranch

Roll 3 Springs at Elk ranch  
alt. March 14

Roll 4

Last one at mouth of Horse  
Creek - March 17.

Roll 5 Horsehead Range March 17

142 = Leticia Range

March 14 on snow

24 with H. H. H.



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